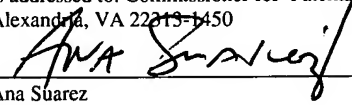




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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
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Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action dated March 29, 2005.

Applicant hereby requests a **one-month extension** of time for said response to the Office Action. The extended period for response expires on **July 29, 2005**. A check in the amount of \$120.00 in payment of the extension fee in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (a) is transmitted herewith. As such, this response is timely filed within the one-month extension period. A formal Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) is also being filed herewith.

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